



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 8943.0004-00

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Bryon L. ZERPHY et al. ) Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned  
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Application No.: 10/751,527 ) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned  
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Filed: January 6, 2004 )  
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For: AUTOMATIC DETECTION OF )  
DYNAMIC MESSAGE SIGN )  
DISPLAY PANEL )  
CONFIGURATION )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application  
as follows: